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Prekindergarten (PK)

Prekindergarten is a full-day, standards-based program that serves all eligible dependents and families in most locations throughout DoDEA. Prekindergarten programs implement a comprehensive curriculum promoting child development and learning in the following domains and content areas: physical, cognitive, language and literacy, mathematics, science and technology, social studies, and the arts. DoDEA PK programs are developmentally appropriate, follow an adopted curriculum, and provide safe, caring, learning environments which engage you children in intentional learning experiences. Current adopted DoDEA College and Career Ready Standards and curriculum materials are implemented in PK learning environments.

Enrollment Eligibility

Prekindergarten is a program for DoDEA-eligible dependents who meet the four-year-old age requirement (must turn four by September 1 of the current school year).?

Learn more here.

Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities (PSCD)

Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities (PSCD) offers eligible young children with disabilities specially designed instruction, support, and services to meet their identified individualized learning needs. The purpose of special education services is to enable students to successfully develop to their fullest potential by providing a free appropriate public education (FAPE) in compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) as implemented by DoD Instruction 1342.12, "Provision of Early Intervention and Special Education Services to Eligible DoD Dependents."

Preschool Services for Children with Disabilities (PSCD) are provided for children beginning at age three who demonstrate an unexpected delay in developmental functioning when compared with the functioning of a nondisabled children of the same chronological age or who has been identified as having a specific disability. Eligibility for PSCD is determined through a comprehensive evaluation process that includes standardized evaluation instruments and is confirmed by observations and professional judgement of early intervention or related services professionals.

DoDEA does not offer programs for three-year-olds outside of PSCD. For typically developing children, DoDEA prekindergarten programs begin at age four.?

Universal Prekindergarten Program

The Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) announced the implementation of <u>Universal</u> <u>Prekindergarten</u> in 80 locations for School Year 2024-2025. This initiative marks the first phase of a comprehensive three-phase plan to enhance early childhood education within the DoDEA school system.

- **Phase I:** 80 schools, including MC Perry Primary School, which opened in SY 23-24, opened their doors to young learners, providing a solid foundation for their educational journey.
- **Phase II:** Fort Campbell schools (Barkley, Barsanti, Lucas and Marshall), Kleine Brogel and Ramstein Elementary Schools will implement UPK in school year 2025-26.
- **Phase III:** Ansbach, Aukamm, Parker and Wiesbaden Elementary Schools will implement UPK when school capacity is available.

For additional information please contact your school's registrar.

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